CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Meditation And Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag
- 4. Consent Agenda Approval Of Staff Recommendations

(Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

- 5. Approval Of Agenda And Additions
- 6. Presentations
 - o. Washington Metropolitan Council Of Governments

Chuck Bean, Executive Director of the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG), will be present to provide an update on COG. (CM)

7. Public Hearing

Acquisition of 10-A Crescent Road: The City has the opportunity to purchase the Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) unit at 10-A Crescent Road which is next to the Greenbelt Museum at 10-B Crescent Road. These units are the only two units at that address.

The current Greenbelt Museum building was acquired by the City as part of its 50th anniversary in 1987. From the time the museum unit was acquired, persons associated with the museum have expressed an interest in 10-A being acquired as well for museum purposes. The unit at 10-A could become the office space for museum staff which would enable the museum to be available for tours on a more frequent basis. It would also provide space for hosting larger tour groups, provide space for researchers interested in Greenbelt, and present a comparison of original Greenbelt homes "then and now". The residents of 10-A, the Dwyers, had always been good neighbors to the museum, sharing information with interested visitors when the museum was closed. Another resident might not be so accommodating of these type of intrusions. The Dwyers resided in the home for 59 years and as such it is unknown when the unit might become available again.

Megan Searing Young, Museum Director, will speak on the value and potential uses of the unit. Sandra Lange, an original member of the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM), will speak about the original vision of the museum. Steve Gilbert or Pamela Gregory, President and Vice-President of the current FOGM Board, will speak on the Board's interest. Following these comments, it is suggested comments from the public be heard. Discussions with Thomas Dwyer, who is executor of the estate, indicate he is willing to sell the unit to the City for \$200,000.

Following the comment period, Council direction is sought. If there is interest in pursuing the acquisition, a resolution can be prepared for introduction at the January 11, 2016 meeting and adoption at the January 25, 2016 meeting. Because the unit is part of the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) cooperative, the GHI Board must approve the acquisition as well. This consideration is tentatively scheduled for the Board's January 21, 2016 meeting. (MPM)

Documents: 7 - REFERENCE.PDF

8. Petitions And Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules)

- 9. Minutes Of Council Meetings
- 10. Administrative Reports
- 11. *Committee Reports
- 12. A Resolution To Negotiate The Purchase Of Design Services Required For The Redesign Of Existing Parking Facilities And The Incorporation Of Stormwater Best Management Practices At The Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot With Bradley Site Design, Inc., Of Washington DC, At A Cost Of \$33,700
 - 2nd Reading, Adoption

Reference:
Draft Resolution
Memorandum, J. Bellah, 10/12/2015
Concept Plan Map and Photos

The City received \$187,700 in grant funding through the Chesapeake Bay Trust's Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) practices in the Buddy Attick Park parking lot redesign project.

A request for proposals (RFP) from qualified professional design/engineer firms to prepare concept and design development drawings for the project received four (4) responses. The responses were then thoroughly reviewed by Planning staff.

Planning staff has indicated the proposal from Bradley Site Design will best meet the needs of the City. The Bradley Site Design proposal provides professional services associated with the design and construction of stormwater best management practices at the Buddy Attick Park parking lot at a cost of \$33,700. Council was briefed on the proposals at its work sessions on October 21 and November 18. Jessica Bellah, Community Planner, and Sharon Bradley, President of Bradley Site Design, will be present tonight to answer any questions.

Ms. Mach introduced this resolution for first reading at the last meeting. It is recommended the resolution be introduced for second reading and moved for adoption tonight. (JB)

Documents: 12-DRAFT RESOLUTION.PDF, 12-MEMORANDUM, J. BELLAH.PDF

13. Letter To Governor Hogan - Support Of Syrian Refugees

Reference:

E-Mail, J. Hamlin, 11/19/2015 Draft Letter List of Contact Agencies Memorandum, L. Park, 12/09/2015

At the last meeting, Council accepted a petition from Joshua Hamlin requesting Council consider taking an action to: 1) welcome Syrian refugees to Greenbelt; and 2) urge local, state and federal leaders to work together to address the current Syrian refugee crisis by taking necessary steps to resettle refugees in the United States. Mr. Hamlin noted Governor Hogan's recent request that the federal government stop refugee resettlements

in our State.

As requested by Council, this item is included on the agenda for discussion. A letter to Governor Hogan has been drafted and included as reference. The draft letter has been shared with members of the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA). To date, six GILA members have responded and all support the letter. (CM)

Documents: 13-E-MAIL, J. HAMLIN.PDF, 13-DRAFT LETTER.PDF, 13-AGENCY CONTACTS.PDF, 13-MEMORANDUM, L. PARK.DOCX

14. Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) For Federal Bureau Of Investigation

Agenda comments on this item will be posted on Friday, December 11, 2015.

15. Award Of Purchase - Public Works Equipment

Reference:

Memorandum, J. Sterling, 12/09/2015 NJPA Cost Sheets

The FY 2016 budget includes \$56,600 for the replacement of Public Works Parks Crew Units #429 (1989 Kubota Loader/Backhoe) and Unit #439 (1997 Kubota Mower). Unit #429 is a small backhoe with a failing hydraulic shift transmission that compromises its digging and lifting capabilities. The cost of repair would not be practical considering it is a 26 year old unit. Unit #439 has very limited capabilities, especially for snow removal, given it is a 19 year old unit.

Public Works staff has identified a 2015 Kubota L3901HST Loader/Backhoe available for purchase at a cost of \$29,958.55 and a 2015 Kubota F2690 Front-Deck Mower available for purchase at a cost of \$26,850.15 through the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) contract #070313-KBA with Kubota Tractor Corporation. Both units will meet the needs of the Parks Crew. Additionally, the Front-Deck Mower will provide the Parks Crew with three small tractors capable of clearing sidewalks which would allow for sidewalks to be cleared quicker during snow removal operations.

It is recommended Council approve the purchase of one (1) 2015 Kubota L3901HST Loader-Backhoe at a cost of \$29,958.55, and one (1) 2015 Kubota F2690 Front-Deck Mower at a cost of \$26,850.15, from Kubota Tractor Corporation in accord with National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) contract #070313-KBA. (CM)

Documents: 15-MEMORANDUM, J. STERLING.PDF, 15-NJPA COST SHEETS.PDF

16. Council Reports

17. * Appointment Of Councilmembers To City Boards And Committees

At a work session on December 2, 2015, Council discussed the liaison assignments to various City advisory boards and committees. Listed below are the assignments tentatively agreed to at that meeting.

Advisory Committee on Education - Ms. Mach
Advisory Planning Board - Ms. Davis
Arts Advisory Board - Ms. Davis
Community Relations Advisory Board - Mr. Putens
Forest Preserve Advisory Board - Mr. Roberts
Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability - Mr. Herling
Park and Recreation Advisory Board - Mr. Jordan

Public Safety Advisory Committee - Ms. Pope Senior Citizens Advisory Committee - Ms. Pope Youth Advisory Committee - Mr. Roberts Anacostia Trails Heritage Association - Ms. Davis

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will confirm these appointments for the next Council term. (CM)

18. * Appointment Of Councilmembers To Metropolitan Washington Council Of Governments Policy Boards And Committees

Reference:

Letter, C. Bean, 12/04/2015

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is soliciting appointments to COG's policy boards and committees for 2016. Council discussed these appointments at a work session on December 2 and tentatively agreed to the following appointments for 2016:

Board of Directors - Mayor Jordan

Alternate - Ms. Davis

Transportation Planning Board - Mr. Roberts

Alternate - Mr. Herling

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Comm. - Ms. Mach

Alternate - Mr. Herling

Region Forward Coalition - Mr. Jordan

Alternate - Ms. Davis

Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee - Mr. Putens

Alternate - Ms. Pope

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee - Mr. Herling

Alternate - Ms. Mach

Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee - Ms. Davis

Alternate - Mr. Putens

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to approve the COG policy board and committee appointments for 2016. (CM)

Documents: 18-LETTER, C. BEAN.PDF

19. * Appointment To Advisory Group

Reference:

Application

Council interviewed Katherine McElhenny on December 3, 2014, for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Education and Julia Sharapi on December 7, 2015 for appointment to the Youth Advisory Committee. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Ms. McElhenny to ACE and Ms. Sharapi to YAC. (CM)

20. * Reappointment To Advisory Group

Reference:

Reappointment Application

Isabelle Gournay has indicated her willingness to continue to serve on the Advisory Planning Board. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Ms. Gournay to a new term on APB. (CM)

21. * Resignations From Advisory Groups

Reference:

Email, J. Berard, 11/24/2015

John Berard has submitted his resignation from the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability. Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to accept his resignation with regret. (CM)

22. Meetings

Regular Meeting	Mon.	2/14	8:00 pm
Legislative Dinner	Tues.	2/15	6:00 pm
Work Session - Council Goals (CC)	Wed.	2/16	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD	Mon.	2/21	8:00 pm
No Meeting	Wed.	2/23	
No Meeting	Mon.	2/28	
No Meeting	Wed.	2/30	
Work Session – Cablecast Upgrades/Review of Digital Integration Proposal	Mon.	1/04	8:00 pm
Work Session – Volunteerism Report (CC)	Wed.	1/06	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	1/11	8:00 pm
Work Session - County Executive (tentative) (CC)	Wed.	1/13	8:00 pm
City Holiday – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Mon.	1/18	
Work Session – M-NCPPC Zoning Rewrite (tentative) (CC)	Wed.	1/20	8:00 pm
PGCMA Meeting (Greenbelt)	Thur.	1/21	7:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	1/25	8:00 pm
Four Cities Meeting (College Park)	Wed.	1/27	7:30 pm

23. No Agenda For This Meeting Was Published For Web.

To:

Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager MPM



From:

Megan Searing Young, Museum Director

Benefits of Acquiring 10A Subject:

The acquisition would consolidate museum functions in one location.

- Why is this important?
 - Staff on-site would allow them to conduct more frequent and larger tours.
 - Overflow area for Museum events, allowing for larger tours on-site and more people at Museum events.
 - o A dedicated room for archival research.
 - Museum collections would be separated from office and research functions, and allow them to be stored in a controlled environment.
 - More space for interns and volunteers to work.
 - o Reduced confusion for walking tours, which now must begin at the Community Center, rather than 10B, due to group size.

The new location could serve as a visitor/welcome center for the City.

- Why is this important?
 - Having staff on-site would allow the Museum to serve in lieu of a visitor center as a place for tourists to stop and pick up information about the town and its businesses.
 - o Increased tourism/attendance to the Museum and at Museum events would be good for the City and for businesses at the Roosevelt Center.
 - o Expansion of museum space is an important investment in the City's ongoing preservation of Greenbelt's legacy.

The acquisition would allow for a broader interpretation of life in Greenbelt.

- Why is this important?
 - It would allow for an interpretation of the changes to the housing units over time - then and now.
 - o It would provide a more holistic view of the town as a living community.
 - It would provide more opportunities for hands-on learning, and innovative programming, such as canning demonstrations, or cooking a meal with the constraints of WWII-era rationing.
 - o The gift shop and visitor center, currently in the garage at 10B, could be moved to 10A and the space could potentially be converted back into a garage for interpretive purposes. A vintage car, tools, and oil cans could be

on display allowing for narratives about early to mid-20th century transportation, to be explored.

The unit offers improved accessibility.

- Why is this important?
 - 10A would provide 1st floor accessible bathroom facilities, which are currently not available at 10B.
 - The additional space would allow for expanded interpretation available to those who are not able to use the stairs to the second floor of 10B.

• The timing for acquisition is good.

- Why is this important?
 - The Dwyers lived at this location for 59 years, there is a good chance it won't be on the market again any time soon, so this may be a rare opportunity.
 - The Dwyer family is willing to sell the property to the City.
 - The Dwyers were gracious neighbors to the museum new residents may not be as amenable.
 - The City has the resources to purchase the property.

The new unit could be utilized as a pilot unit to test out environmental and preservation strategies.

- Why is this important?
 - The modern museum unit could serve as a model to test new methods of preservation and renovation for the entire GHI community, such as interior insulation, a green roof, or geothermal heating.

The Friends of the Greenbelt Museum support the acquisition.

- Why is this important?
 - The Friends provide a significant amount of support in the operation of the Museum, and the additional space would allow them to expand their offerings and support.
 - Although the unit will be usable and functional immediately, the Friends will be able to apply for grant funds to renovate the interior of the unit, as needed, or to make other improvements in coming years.
 - There are numerous grant opportunities available including: Maryland Heritage Area Capital Grants (up to \$100,000), and the Preservation Maryland Heritage Fund, up to \$10,000.

Introduced:
1 st Reading:
Passed:
Posted: Effective:
RESOLUTION NUMBER XXXX
A RESOLUTION TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF DESIGN SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE REDESIGN OF EXISTING PARKING FACILITIES AND THE INCORPORATION OF STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AT THE BUDDY ATTICK PARK PARKING LOT WITH BRADLEY SITE DESIGN, INC., OF WASHINGTON DC, AT A LUMP SUM COST OF \$33,700
WHEREAS, the City has received a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust in the amount of \$187,700 for the design and construction of parking lot improvements and stormwater best management practices at the Buddy Attick Park parking lot; and
WHEREAS the grant allows up to \$19,100 to be allocated to design services, and
WHEREAS the City's FY 2016 budget allocates an additional \$15,000 in capital funds to be used for design services for a total of \$34,100; and
WHEREAS, the City solicited requests for proposals from qualified professional design/engineer firms to prepare concept and design development drawings for the project; and
WHEREAS, the City received four responses to its request for proposals (RFP) and found two to be responsive and present reasonable cost estimates; and
WHEREAS, based on a comparison of the two preferred proposals in terms of past experience and project scope, Bradley Site Design was found to be the preferred proposal; and
WHEREAS, Bradley Site Design will provide the design services outlined in the RFP at the lump sum cost of \$33,700. NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that the City Manager be authorized to contract with Bradley Site Design, Inc. of Washington, DC, to provide design services for the Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot Improvement project for a lump sum cost of \$33,700.
PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of December 14, 2015.
Emmett V. Jordan Mayor
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ATTEST:
Cindy Murray, City Clerk

- Ald Map of AGEA to BREEGERAND COOKS

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND MEMORANDUM

TO:

Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager MPM

FROM:

Jessica Bellah, Community Planner

VIA:

Celia Craze, Director of Planning and Community Development

DATE:

October 12, 2015

SUBJECT:

Recommendation for selection of consultant to perform professional services for

the Buddy Attick Park parking lot stormwater management demonstration and

water quality treatment project.

Background

In fall 2014, the city applied for project funding under the Chesapeake Bay Trust's Prince George's County Stormwater Stewardship Grant Program to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) practices within the Buddy Attick Park parking lot redesign project. The grant award leverages existing city funds to create a superior design product that would also treat stormwater runoff and engage the public in stormwater issues. In December 2014, the City was awarded \$187,700 from the Chesapeake Bay Trust for the design and construction of stormwater best management practices at the Buddy Attick Park parking lot site.

Per the scope of the approved grant award, staff developed and advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) from qualified professional design/engineer firms to prepare concept and design development drawings for the project. The RFP was advertised in the Washington Post on Monday June 8, 2015 and was posted to the city webpage. A site meeting with staff was held on July 1, 2015 to further discuss the project with interested firms prior to submission of their proposals.

Response

The City received four (4) responses to the RFP which is considered a good response rate for this type of project. The submitted proposals were reviewed by staff for compliance with the scope of work outlined in the RFP. All firms adequately met criteria for demonstrating an understanding of the project goals, presenting personnel with sufficient professional qualifications, and displaying relevant work experience from past projects. The list of companies/firms submitting proposals and their associated cost quotes are as follows:

•	Soltez	\$ 76,500
•	EBA Engineering, Inc.	\$ 38,900
•	Bradley Site Design	\$ 33,700
•	SKELLY and LOY, Inc.	\$ 29,910

The estimated budget proposed in the grant application was \$24,100 to undertake site analysis, concept plan development, design development, and permit/construction documents. The city provided a \$15,000 cash match and requested \$9,100 in grant funding for design work. Received cost proposals exceed the estimated cost for design work by \$5,810 to \$52,400. The Chesapeake Bay Trust was

consulted and has preliminarily granted the City permission to redistribute \$10,000 of awarded grant funds to cover the higher cost for undertaking design work.

Content of Proposals

Staff reviewed each proposal submission in context of the overarching goals, available funding, and needs of the project. After careful consideration and review of each submitted proposal, staff found that proposals submitted by Soltez and EBA Engineering, Inc did not best meet the project's needs and fiscal restraints. Both the Skelly and Loy, Inc. and Bradley Site Design proposals addressed the requirements of the RFP. It is staff's assessment that either firm is able to provide the required services and that their proposals reflect an understanding of the scope and purpose of the Buddy Attick Park parking lot stormwater management demonstration and water quality treatment project.

Staff offers the following observations and summary of content for the S&L and BSD proposals:

Bradley Site Design (BSD)

Proposal Summary

BSD has outlined a scope of services and timeline that works within the grant requirements. The design process would include multiple opportunities for staff, Council, and the public to provide input in developing conceptual and final designs. The proposal focuses on matching the design to available funding and highlight's the team's flexibility in adjusting the design to meet several, and sometimes competing, site needs.

With a primary focus on landscape architecture, BSD's proposal considers the public use and aesthetic/educational value of the site. As outlined in their proposal, BSD has partnered with Greening Urban LLC (GU) to provide civil engineering services and technical expertise related to LID and transportation practices. The team has previously worked together in developing projects which utilized a variety of different LID treatments at residential properties, schools, parks and other public facilities.

Staff Observation and Comment

- BSD has previously worked with the city on design projects (Roosevelt Center Renovation, monument signs, skate park) and has an understanding of the public meeting and decision making process in Greenbelt
- Provides two concept designs from which to choose
- Final LID products from prior projects are aesthetically superior and provide high visual enhancement.
- Prior project experience includes design and incorporation of LID practices at a parking lot next to a park facility.
- Proposed scope of service includes survey of project area and stormwater calculation/management plans.

Skelly and Loy Inc. (S&L)

Proposal Summary

The S&L proposal outlines a technically focused approach and schedule that works within the grant requirements. The project team appears to have substantial experience in selecting, designing, and siting LID practices in a manner responsive to public input. S&L's team would develop a single concept plan option for city comment followed by a detailed design plan. The proposed meeting schedule includes a project kickoff meeting and additional staff level input via conference calls. Concept and detailed design plans would be presented on graphic boards to Council and Advisory Boards.

As outlined in their proposal, S&L has partnered with Rossi Transportation Group Inc. (RTG). RTG would provide civil engineering services and technical expertise related to LID and transportation practices. RTG is a newer firm, established in 2015 but lead by an experienced principal planner.

Previous relevant work includes retrofits of existing stormwater systems and utilization of a variety of LID techniques to best suit available funding and project site conditions. Stated objectives include increased public engagement with LID facilities, visual enhancement, and efforts for minimization of tree impacts.

Staff Observation and Comment

- Attended the pre-proposal site meeting and displayed a clear understanding of the site's existing conditions and desired improvements
- Provides a technical approach and high level of understanding of the necessary agency review and permitting process for this project
- Proposed scope of service includes survey of project area, base mapping, and hydrology study.
- Proposal does not include design for interpretive signage associated with LID facilities or a complete bid book.
- While highly functional, prior LID project examples tend toward less aesthetically pleasing appearance.

Staff Recommendation

It is staff's assessment that both the Skelly and Loy Inc. and Bradly Site Design proposals are responsive to the RFP and present reasonable cost proposals. Based on the personnel qualifications and related experiences outlined in these proposals, it is staff's conclusion both firms are capable of undertaking the project work. Additionally, staff finds that both proposals are equally suited to meet the primary objectives of the project to A) serve the utilitarian needs of the parking area B) implement LID practices to effectively address stormwater runoff.

Therefore, to formulate a recommendation, staff compared the proposals in terms of:

- 1) Aesthetic sensibility of past projects
- 2) Approach to conducting meetings
- 3) Opportunity for public input and involvement

Bradley Site Design's cost proposal is \$ 33,700 compared to SKELLY and LOY's cost of \$ 29,910. Both cost proposals fit within the acceptable range for undertaking design work for this project.

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council accept the proposal of Bradley Site Design to provide professional services associated with the design and construction of stormwater best management practices at the Buddy Attick Park parking lot, as set forth in their proposal dated July 16, 2015 at a cost of \$ 33,700.

Staff's recommendation for selecting Bradley Site Design is based on the city's prior positive experience working with this firm in addition to our assessment of their proposal package and relevant experience. Staff assessed the practical and aesthetic value of completed stormwater best management practices designed and implemented by these firms in related project work. BSD has previously designed bioretention areas for the purposes of engaging and educating school children. Their designs have incorporated elements such as touch pools and interpretive signage to promote active learning by the public. In addition, BSD projects seem to consider the changing seasonal appearance and maintenance requirements of their selected native plantings, which would be valuable to this project as a year-round activity area.

It is Staff's opinion that BSD's approach to the project will provide greater opportunity for public comment through the presentation of more than one conceptual design from which to develop a final design. Their proposal timeline displays a willingness to redesign and represent the project as needed in response to funding restrictions, site needs, and project goals. It is staff's opinion that BSD's focus on public use of the space will better be able to meet the competing design goals outlined in the project scope while addressing stormwater management issues.

With concurrence of this recommendation, staff can prepare a Resolution for Negotiated Purchase to award the Buddy Attick Park parking lot redesign project.

Attachments

Buddy Attick Park Request for Proposals

Site Visit Meeting Notes - July 1, 2015

Bradley Site Design Proposal

Skelly and Loy Inc. Proposal

Cindy Murray

From: Josh Hamlin hamlin hamlinjosh@yahoo.com

Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 4:36 PM

To: Emmett Jordan; Judith Davis; Konrad Herling; Leta Mach; Silke Pope; Edward Putens;

Rodney Roberts

Cc: Cindy Murray

Subject:Syrian refugeesAttachments:refresolution.docx

Dear City Council Members,

For those of you that are not aware, I am planning on requesting that the City Council consider a resolution stating the City's position on the resettlement of Syrian refugees. I have attached a draft resolution for your reference. The topic has generated a fair bit of conversation on the "Greenbelters" Facebook page, but unfortunately most of it has not been terribly constructive.

It is also the subject of a <u>Change.org petition</u> that I started yesterday afternoon. In recent days, <u>a number of mayors</u> (including Mayor Rawlings-Blake of Baltimore), <u>Arlington County, VA</u>, and the <u>Chicago City Council</u> have made recent statements (a resolution in Chicago's case) welcoming Syrian refugees. I think this is consistent with Greenbelt's principles, and believe (as do many national- and global-security experts) that removing refugees from the conflict area, resettling them, and integrating them into our communities is one of the most effective tools we have in winning the so-called "war on terror."

I am going to cut-and-paste from that petition below,to give you the background on the issue (this is not a form petition or resolution - I drafted the resolution and did the background research - please feel free to reach out to me if you have questions). Thanks in advance for your consideration!

Josh Hamlin 117 Lastner Lane

Here's the petition:

Please consider adopting a resolution welcoming Syrian refugees to Greenbelt, and urging local, state and federal leaders to work together to address the current refugee crisis by taking necessary steps to resettle refugees in the United States as expeditiously as possible. This action is particularly important given Governor Hogan's recent request that the federal government stop refugee resettlements in Maryland.

Chicago Alderman Ed Burke summed up the issue perfectly in discussing a similar resolution to be considered by the Chicago City Council: "We have as much power as the governor has, which is none. But what we do have is the opportunity to go on the record as stating that Chicago, the most American of American cities, welcomes people in distress and in trouble and tries to help rather than demonize them. I hope it will encourage other like-minded cities around the nation to do the same."

Let's be one of those cities that welcomes people in distress and in trouble and tries to help rather than demonize them!

Background:

The conflict in Syria has triggered the world's largest humanitarian crisis since World War II.[1] Since 2011, almost 12 million people, equivalent to half of the Syrian population, have been displaced by the conflict, including 7.6 million displaced inside Syria.[2] According to the United Nations, more than half of all Syrian refugees are under the age of 18.[3]

President Obama has indicated the intent of his administration to accept at least 10,000 Syrian refugees in the next fiscal year.[4] under a screening process for that is extremely thorough, taking between 18 months and two years for each applicant to be admitted.[5] However, in response to the terror attacks in Paris on November 13, 2015, Governors in at least 30 states across the country, including Maryland Governor Larry Hogan, have now publicly asked for the resettlement of Syrian refugees to stop.[6]

The refusal to resettle refugees outside of a conflict zone contributes to marginalization and the formation of 'victim identities,' which in turn may contribute to radicalization, counter to the long-term security interests of the City, the states, the nation, and the world.[7] In fact, a group of more than 20 former national security, international humanitarian and human rights appointees of both Democratic and Republican administrations have urged the Obama Administration to accept 100,000 Syrian refugees, a tenfold increase over the current commitment.[8]

We have a duty to welcome our Syrian neighbors; to turn away persons in need, regardless of their origin, is inconsistent with the fundamental principles of community and mutual assistance that our City proudly embraces. We share the view of many national security experts, that failing to help "refugees resettle as quickly as possible is, in itself, a factor that can increase risk for Americans the world over."[9]

- [1] http://ec.europa.eu/echo/files/aid/countries/factsheets/syria en.pdf
- [2] https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2015/09/15/what-you-need-know-about-syrian-refugee-crisis-and-what-us-doing-help
- [3] http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/regional.php
- [4] https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2015/09/15/what-you-need-know-about-syrian-refugee-crisis-and-what-us-doing-help
- [5] http://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/statements/2015/nov/15/jeb-bush/jeb-bush-it-takes-almost-year-refugee-be-processed/ (references to State Department documents are contained in the linked article).
- [6] http://www.npr.org/2015/11/17/456336432/more-governors-oppose-u-s-resettlement-of-syrian-refugees
- [7] See Royce Hutson, Taylor Long & Michael Page (2009) Pathways to Violent Radicalisation in the Middle East: A Model for Future Studies of Transnational Jihad, The RUSI Journal, 154:2, 18-26, DOI: 10.1080/03071840902965570:

http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/03071840902965570

"As one scholar suggests part of the process of radicalisation may be that an aspect of their identity is reawakened or becomes more primary to them. Here, victims are likely to target those systems that they view as reproducing their oppression in relation to this primary or re-awakened identity'. On a meso-level, shared perceptions of victimisation sometimes serve as a catalyst for social, political or military movements. Restrictions, for example, which effectively deny Palestinian refugees access to security and justice promote the formation of in-group 'victim identities' while simultaneously fostering mistrust and resentment toward outsiders, especially if those outsiders are construed as agents of state or social repression. Victimisation, therefore, also tends to heighten perceptions of marginalisation and encourage distrust towards state agencies like the criminal justice system, the police or the army."

For the premise that the conditions endured by the refugees in refugee camps is the key driver of radicalization and subsequent terrorist activity, and the importance of humane treatment and integration in the host countries, see Daniel Milton, Megan Spencer & Michael Findley (2013) Radicalism of the Hopeless: Refugee Flows and Transnational Terrorism, International Interactions: Empirical and Theoretical Research in International Relations, DOI: 10.1080/03050629.2013.834256 http://www.michael-findley.com/uploads/2/0/4/5/20455799/ii 2013 refugees-terrorism.pdf [8] https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/2426925/letter-regarding-syrian-refugees.pdf [9] https://www.nytimes.com/2015/09/29/opinion/how-dragging-our-feet-on-refugees-creates-more-terrorists.html?smid=fb-nytopinion&smtyp=cur

December 14, 2015

The Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Maryland State House 100 State Circle Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Governor Hogan:

On behalf of the residents of the City of Greenbelt, we urge you to reconsider your request that Syrian refugees not be directed to Maryland, but rather we express our strong support for welcoming to our state any and all vetted refugees from any corner of the world where war and terrorism have caused death and fear. The world is witnessing the largest refugee crisis since World War II with more than 4 million Syrians having fled their home country to escape conflict and violence, and 6.5 million who are internally displaced.

The world is in need of humanitarian leadership willing to help with this refugee crisis and Maryland should lead the way. Many, if not most of the refugees, have lost loved ones to persecution, violence, and starvation, in addition to having had their country, their community, and everything they own brutally taken away from them. Maryland is considered the birth place of religious freedom in our nation. It was formed as a refuge for Catholics being persecuted in England. We should not turn our back on our history.

Greenbelt residents are committed to being a caring and compassionate community. For example, our community pledge reads - *The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate people of many cultures, faiths, and races living together. By sharing together all are enriched. We pledge to foster a community which is respectful, safe, and fair for all people.* In addition, our City has joined with the National League of Cities (NLC) Partnership for Working Toward Inclusive Communities by welcoming new residents and working to increase citizen participation and engagement while promoting equal opportunity and fairness. At our annual Greenbelt Day celebration, we are proud to host a Citizenship Swearing-In Ceremony.

Refugees are the most thoroughly vetted group of people who come to the United States. Security screenings are rigorous and involve the Department of Homeland Security, the FBI, the Department of Defense and other intelligence agencies. This process typically takes more than two years. There is no immediate need for state officials to demand a halt to resettlement in their states or imposing additional restrictions or security measures.

To turn our back on refugees is to betray our history and core values as the Free State that benefits from the contributions of all our immigrant communities. We are not made unsafe by the presence of Syrian refugees among us. We are enriched and blessed by the skills and diversity they bring. We believe we are upholding our most dearly-held values by embracing them in our midst. We urge you to reconsider your request and to join us in welcoming Syrian – and all other – refugees to our State.

RECEPTION AND PLACEMENT AGENCY CONTACTS - FY 2014

A list of affiliates can be found at www.wrapsnet.org/Contacts/RPAgencyContacts

Church World Service (CWS)

Immigration and Refugee Program (IRP) Ms. Sarah Krause, Deputy Director 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 700 New York, NY 10115-0050

New Tork, NT 10115-0050

Phone: (212) 870-3300; 3042 direct

Fax: (212) 870-2132 skrause@churchworldservice.org www.churchworldservice.org

Domestic & Foreign Missionary Society (DFMS)

Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM)

Ms. Deborah Stein, Director

815 Second Avenue

New York, NY 10017 Phone: (212) 716

Phone: (212) 716-6258 Fax: (212) 972-0860 dstein@episcopalchurch.org

http://www.episcopalchurch.org/emm/

Ethiopian Community Development Council (ECDC)

Dr. Tsehaye Teferra, President

901 S. Highland

Arlington, VA 22204

Phone: (703) 685-0510 Fax: (703) 685-0529

tteferra@ecdcus.org
www.ecdcus.org

Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS)

Mr. Mark Hetfield, President and CEO

333 Seventh Avenue

New York, NY 10001-5004 Phone: (212) 967-4100

Fax: (212) 967-4442 mark.hetfield@hias.org

www.hias.org

International Rescue Committee (IRC)

Ms. Jennifer Sime, Vice President, US Programs

122 East 42nd Street

New York, NY 10168-1289 Phone: (212) 551-2924 Fax: (212) 551-3181

Jennifer.sime@rescue.org

www.theirc.org

Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service (LIRS)

Mr. Mike Mitchell, Vice President for Programs and

Protection

700 Light Street

Baltimore, MD 21230-3850

Phone: (410) 230-2700; 2725 direct

Fax: (410) 230-2890

mmitchell@lirs.org

www.lirs.org

U. S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI)

Ms. Lavinia Limón, President and CEO

2231 Crystal Drive, Suite 350 Arlington, VA 22202-3711

Phone: (703) 310-1130 x 3003

Fax: (703) 769-4241

llimon@uscridc.org www.refugees.org

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)

Migration and Refugee Services

Ambassador Johnny Young, Executive Director

3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017

Phone: (202) 541-3000 Fax: (202) 722-8755

iyoung@usccb.org
www.usccb.org/mrs

World Relief (WR)

Ruth Famini, Director of National Resettlement Programs

7 East Baltimore Street Baltimore, MD 21202

Phone: (443) 451-1957

Fax: (443) 451-1965

RFamini@wr.org www.wr.org

Massachusetts

HIAS

MA-HIAS-04: Jewish Family Service Of Western Massachusetts

Address:

15 Lenox Street

Springfield, MA 01108

Phone:

413-737-2601

Fax: 413-737-0323

DFMS

MA-DFMS-02: Ascentria Care Alliance, INC.

Address:

94 North Elm Street, Suite 401

Westfield, MA 01085

Phone:

413-787-0725

Fax: 413-734-0859

LIRS

MA-LIRS-01: Ascentria

Address:

94 North Elm Street, Suite 401 Westfield, MA 01085

Phone:

413-787-0725

Fax: 413-734-0859

ECDC

MA-ECDC-02: Refguee And Immigrant Assistance Center

Address:

340 Main Street Suite 802

Worcester, MA 01610

Phone:

508-756-7557

Fax: 508-756-7708

LIRS

MA-LIRS-03: Ascentria

Address:

11 Shattuck Street

Worcester, MA 01605

Phone:

774-243-3100

Fax: 508-754-1393

USCCB

MA-USCCB-02: Catholic Charities

Address:

10 Hammond Street

Worcester, MA 01610-1513

Phone:

508-860-2226

Fax: 508-797-5659

Maryland

HIAS

MD-HIAS-01: Jewish Community Services

Address:

5750 Park Heights Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21215

Phone:

443-451-2256 Fax: 410-484-3003

IRC

MD-IRC-01: International Rescue Committee Baltimore

Address:

C/O Baltimore Resettlement Center, 3516 Eastern Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21224

Phone: 410-327-1885 Fax: 410-327-1941

MD-WR-02: World Relief Anne Arundel

Address:

102-A Sixth Ave NE Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Phone:

410-760-4514

Fax: 410-760-6504

Memo

To: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager From: Liz Park, Greenbelt CARES

Date: 12/10/15

Re: GILA Response to Draft Syrian Refugee Letter

On Tuesday December 7th GILA members were sent a copy of the DRAFT letter regarding the acceptance of Syrian Refugees in Maryland. The letter was drafted in response to citizen request that the City Council inform the Governor about Greenbelt's support for the admittance of refugees in Maryland.

To date six GILA members have responded and all support the language of the letter and agree that it should be sent to the Governor. The responders believe the letter reflects well the sentiment of Greenbelt residents that refugees should be accepted in Maryland.

1. "Thank you. Well said."

Rev. Fay Lundin College Park United Methodist Church

2. "In light of the article in the Washington Post last Sunday about the Syrian refugee family who have settled in Baltimore, it appears that vetting is extremely thorough already. The subject of the article said that she experienced 1 full year of investigation and the staff were extremely thorough, even knowing the name of the hospital in which she was born. I think statistically, we have more problems with home grown terrorists who are not Muslims. Perhaps Governor Hogan might support more thorough vetting of those people who are attempting to buy assault rifles, as well as longer waiting periods. "

Zelda Bell

- 3. "It is right and just". Marlene Vikor
- 4. "I am proud to be a member of GILA. It is a feeling of relief to see these well thought out concerns being so clearly laid out. It is the Season for the Prince of Peace and we cannot afford to turn our back on our Syrian brothers and sisters. True, I can only end by saying 'let Freedom reign and let it begin with me".. God bless the Free State of Maryland, God bless America." Gloria Cline-Smythe
- 5. "So glad the City Council is sending this letter to Gov. Hogan. I believe this letter expresses how Greenbelt residents feel about this issue."

Mary Ann Tretler St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church/Ladies of Charity 6. We are called to remember the foreigners among us because we were all once foreigners in a strange land. Thank you for taking a stand!

Glennyce, Greenbelt UCC

CITY OF GREENBELT
Department of Public Works
555 Crescent Road – Greenbelt, Maryland 20770
301.474.8004

MEMORANDUM

Date:

December 9, 2015

To:

Michael McLaughlin, City Manager

From:

Karl Skaggs, Parks Supervisor

Via:

James Sterling, Acting Public Works Director

Re:

Replacement of 1989 Kubota Loader-Backhoe (Unit 429)

and 1997 Kubota Front-deck Mower (Unit 439)

The FY 2016 Replacement Fund includes \$56,600 for the replacement of a 1989 Kubota Loader/Backhoe (429) and a 1997 Kubota Mower (439). Both units are used in the Parks Crew.

As a member of National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), we are able to purchase the two pieces of equipment mentioned above. NJPA is a public agency that enables municipalities to combine national purchasing power through cooperative efforts. Under this agreement, equipment is vetted and is obtained through competitively solicited purchases.

Staff has identified a contract provided through the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) with the Kubota Tractor Corporation. The NJPA contract number is 070313-KBA.

Staff is recommending the purchase of a 2015 Kubota L3901HST Loader-Backhoe. Pricing is as follows:

Base Price:	21,795.00
Heavy Duty Front Loader package:	4,313.00
Sub-frame Kit for Backhoe	754.00
7.7 FT Backhoe	6,844.00
24" Backhoe Bucket	847.00
Mounting Bracket for Canopy	191.00
Fiberglass Canopy Kit	387.00
Configured Price:	<u>35,131.00</u>
NJPA 070313-KBA Discount:	(7,026.20)
NJPA 070313-KBA Price:	\$28,104.80
Factory Assembly:	250.00

Dealer Assembly:	793.75
Freight Cost:	560.00
PDI:	250.00
Final Sales Price:	\$29.958.55

Staff is also recommending the purchase of a 2015 Kubota F2690 Front-Deck Mower. This mower will also have optional snow removal attachments included. Pricing is as follows:

Base Price:	\$19,530.00
72" Rear Discharge Mower	4,246.00
Hard Cab Enclosure	4,980.00
Cab Heater	465.00
Male Quick Hitch	294.00
Remote Hydraulic Kit	170.00
Front Weight Bracket	103.00
Front Weight Bolt Kit	24.00
Front Suitcase Weight	284.00
Hydraulic Valve for Implements	440.00
60" Front Blade	1,647.00
Configured Price:	<u>32,183.00</u>
NJPA 070313-KBA Discount:	(6,436.60)
NJPA 070313-KBA Price:	\$25,746.40
Dealer Assembly:	393.75
Freight Cost:	460.00
PDI:	250.00

The total cost for the two replacement units is \$56,808.70.

Final Sales Price:

Unit 429 is a small 1989 Backhoe with a failing hydraulic shift transmission. Digging and lifting capabilities are compromised due to the age of the overall hydraulic system. The cost of repair, considering the age of the equipment, would not be a practical use of funds.

\$26,850.15

The purchase of the Kubota Front-Mower with the optional snow removal attachments will provide the department the ability to clear pedestrian walkways in a more timely fashion. This would give the Department three small tractors capable of clearing sidewalks. If approved we would be able to assign a tractor to all three areas of the City (East Greenbelt, West Greenbelt

and Historic Greenbelt) during snow events. Giving us the ability to the same service to all areas of Greenbelt.

We recommend that the City purchase the 2015 Kubota L3901 for \$29,958.55 and the 2015 Kubota F2690 for \$26,808.70 through the NJPA contract number 070313-KBA from Kubota Tractor Corporation, 3401 Del Amo Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503.



L3901HST WEB QUOTE #503611 Date: 12/8/2015 11:45:32 AM

Customer Information –
 Skaggs, Karl
 City of Greenbelt.
 kskaggs@greenbeltmd.gov
 240-417-2402

To order equipment – purchase orders must be made out and returned to:

Kubota Tractor Corporation 3401 Del Amo Blvd. Torrance, CA 90503 or email NA.Support@kubota.com or call 310-303-7834 or fax 844-582-1581

- Custom Options -

Kuboto

L Series

L3901HST

* * * EQUIPMENT IN STANDARD MACHINE * * *

DIESEL ENGINE
Model # D1803-CR-E4-LB4
Tier 4 Final Engine
Common Rail Direct Injection
w/ Diesel Particulate Filter
Electronic Throttle
3 Cyl. 111.4 cu. in.
+ 36.3 Net Eng. HP
+ 30.6 PTO HP
@ 2700 Eng. rpm
12V - 580CCA Battery
Charging Output 40 Amps

HYDRAULICS
Open Center — Gear Type
Tandem Pump
6.3 gpm Remote/3 Pt. Hitch
3.8 gpm for Power Steering
10.1 Total gpm
Cat I 3-point Hitch
At lift Point 1998 lb.
24" Behind 1435 lb.

FRONT AXLE Integral Power Steering Bevel Gear, 4WD Cast Iron

Tread Spacing, Nonadjustable

DRIVE TRAIN
Hydrostatic Drive
3 Speed L-M-H
Multiple Wet Disc Brakes
Clutch -- Dry Type Single

Stage Differential Lock Rear Axle – Spur Gear

+ Manufacturer Estimate

DASH INSTRUMENTS

- Standard Features -

Tachometer
Fuel Gauge
Temperature Gauge
LCD Display for Hour Meter
and Warning Messages

FLUID CAPACITY
Fuel Tank 11.1 gal.
Cooling System 6.3 qts.
Crankcase 7.1 qts.
Transmission and 6.2 gal.
Hydraulics
Front Axle 4.8 qts.

DIMENSIONS
Overall Height w/ROPS 91.7"
Overall Length w/3pt 116.3"
Wheel Base 63.3"
Crop Clearance 13.6"

POWER TAKE OFF Live-Continuous Running - with Over-running Clutch 540 Rear PTO – 1 Speed Speed - 540 @ 2580Eng. rpm SAE Std 1 3/8" SIX Spline

SAFETY EQUIPMENT Foldable ROPS w/ Retractable Seat Belt PTO Shield Safety Start Switches Turn Signals / Hazard Lights Mechanical Wet Disc Brakes

Parking Brakes SMV Sign Electric Key Shut-off Parking Brake Indicate

Parking Brake Indicator on Dash Operator Presence Control System

OPERATOR STATION

Color Coded Controls Wide Platform Steps

High Back Seat with Adjustable Suspension

w/ Water Drain Hole Tool Box Cup Holder

Left Hand Fender Grip

Default to Auto Regen; w/ Parked and Inhibit

Buttons for DPF

SELECTED TIRES

ALR8866D & ALR9494 AG TIRES

FRONT - 7.2-16 R1 Goodyear Power Torque REAR - 11.2-24 R1 Titan Hi Power Lug 2.94"offset

L3901HST Base Price: \$21,795.00 (1) HEAVY DUTY FRONT LOADER PACKAGE \$4,313.00 LA525FL-HEAVY DUTY FRONT LOADER PACKAGE (1) SUBFRAME KIT FOR BACKHOE \$754.00 BH4988-SUBFRAME KIT FOR BACKHOE (1) 7.7 FT BACKHOE \$6,844.00 BH77-7.7 FT BACKHOE (1) 24" PIN ON BUCKET FOR 7 FT BACKHOES \$847.00 BT1953A-24" PIN ON BUCKET FOR 7 FT BACKHOES (1) MOUNTING BRACKET FOR CANOPY \$191.00 E1136-MOUNTING BRACKET FOR CANOPY (1) DELUXE FIBERGLASS CANOPY KIT \$387.00 E1134-DELUXE FIBERGLASS CANOPY KIT \$35,131.00 Configured Price: NJPA 070313-KBA Discount: (\$7,026.20) NJPA 070313-KBA Price: \$28,104.80 Factory Assembly: \$250.00 Dealer Assembly: \$793.75 Freight Cost: \$560.00 PDI: \$250.00

Final Sales Price: \$29,958.55



F2690 WEB QUOTE #503614 Date: 12/8/2015 11:47:52 AM

Customer Information — Skaggs, Karl City of Greenbelt. kskaggs@greenbeltmd.gov 240-417-2402

To order equipment - purchase orders must be made out and returned to:

Kubota Tractor Corporation 3401 Del Amo Blvd. Torrance, CA 90503 or email NA.Support@kubota.com or call 310-303-7834 or fax 844-582-1581

Custom Options –

*** EQUIPMENT IN STANDARD MACHINE ***

DIESEL ENGINE Model #D1105 33 Cyl., 1123 cu. cm. +25.5 Gross Eng. HP @3000 Eng. RPM CARB Certified Alternator - 40 Amps Hand Throttle

Dual Element Air Cleaner

OPERATING FEATURES Tilt Steering Wheel Power Steering Deluxe Suspension Seat w/ 4 Adj. Controls

HYDRAULICS Open Center - Gear Type 2 Point Hitch Lift Cap at Lift Point - 573 lbs 8.6 GPM Hyd. Pump Cap. 6 GPM Remote Outlet

HYD. INDEPENDENT PTO Hyd. Multi-Disc PTO Single Speed PTO 2545 rpm @ 3000 Eng. rpm

+ Manufacturer Estimate

TRANSMISSION Hydrostatic Drive (F2/R2) Forward Speed - 0 - 12.5 mph Reverse Speed - 0 - 6.8 mph Front Differential Lock

- Standard Features -

FLUID CAPACITY Fuel Tank 16.1 gal Cooling System 4.9 qts Engine Oil 3.7 qts Transmission and Hydraulics 14.8

SAFETY EQUIPMENT 2 Post Foldable ROPS w/ Retractable Sear Belt ROPS meet ISO and OSHA Safety Start Switch Operator Presence Control Parking Brake Overheat Alarm Buzzer

INSTRUMENTS Liquid Chrystal Dispay (LCD)Panel

Hour Meter Electric Fuel Gauge Temperature Gauge Easy Checker TM Oil Light Charge Light Glow Plug Light

F2690 Base Price: \$19,530.00 (1) 72" REAR DISCHARGE MOWER \$4,246.00 RCK72R-F36-72" REAR DISCHARGE MOWER (1) HARD CAB ENCLOSURE \$4,980.00 F5206-HARD CAB ENCLOSURE (1) CAB HEATER \$465.00 F5311-CAB HEATER (1) MALE QUICK HITCH (F-SERIES) \$294.00 F5212A-MALE QUICK HITCH (F-SERIES) (1) REMOTE HYDRAULIC KIT \$170.00 F5216-REMOTE HYDRAULIC KIT (1) FRONT WEIGHT BRACKET \$103.00 BX8064A-FRONT WEIGHT BRACKET (4) FRONT WEIGHT BOLT KIT (REAR FOR F) \$24.00 BL8062-FRONT WEIGHT BOLT KIT (REAR FOR F) (4) FRONT SUITCASE WEIGHT \$284.00 BL8060-1-FRONT SUITCASE WEIGHT (1) HYDRAULIC VALVE FOR IMPLEMENTS \$440.00 WITHOUT CATCHER F8283-HYDRAULIC VALVE FOR IMPLEMENTS WITHOUT CATCHER (1) 60" FRONT BLADE \$1,647.00 B2765A-60' FRONT BLADE Configured Price: \$32,183.00 NJPA 070313-KBA Discount: (\$6,436.60) NJPA 070313-KBA Price: \$25,746.40 Dealer Assembly: \$393.75 Freight Cost: \$460.00 PDI: \$250.00

Final Sales Price: \$26,850.15

SELECTED TIRES **AR8641 & AF9398A TURF TIRES** FRONT - 24x12.00-12 R3 Maxxis Pro Tech REAR - 18x9.50-8 R3 Kenda Super Turf K500

> *All equipment specifications are as complete as possible as of the date on the quote. Additional attachments, options, or accessories may be added (or deleted) at the discounted price. All specifications and prices are subject to change. Taxes are not included. The PDI fees and freight for attachments and accessories quoted may have additional charges added by the delivering dealer. These charges will be billed separately. Prices for product quoted are good for 60 days from the date shown on the quote. All equipment as quoted is subject to availability.



December 4, 2015

The Honorable Emmett Jordan Mayor City of Greenbelt 25 Crescent Road Greenbelt, Maryland 20770-1886

Dear Mayor Jordan:

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is asking that you review your 2015 appointments to COG's policy boards and committees and make reappointments or new appointments for 2016.

Information on Greenbelt 2016 appointments is requested by <u>January 8, 2016</u>, so that each board and committee is fully constituted and able to commence its work as quickly as possible.

Please select individuals who have a strong interest in the subject matter covered by the policy board or committee and who are able to make a commitment to actively participate. Policy boards and committees generally meet monthly or every other month.

COG is an association of more than 250 local, state and federal elected officials in the National Capital Region. Each COG board or committee is largely comprised of local and state elected officials. Timely action on this appointment request will help ensure that program and technical committees, comprised of senior managers from area governments, and the COG staff receive clear and early guidance from elected officials on policy direction and priorities for 2016.

COG's effectiveness depends on engaged members and your continued leadership and support are deeply appreciated.

Please return the included form by mail, email or fax. Feel free to contact Laura Ambrosio at (202)962-3278 or lambrosio@mwcog.org if you have questions or need additional information. I may be reached at 202-962-3260 or cbean@mwcog.org.

Sincerely,

Chuck Bean Executive Director

cc: Cindy Murray, City Clerk

Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 2016 Solicitation for Appointments: City of Greenbelt

INDEPENDENT POLICY BOARDS	Current 2015 Appointment	2016 Appointment
COG Board of Directors (1) Meets monthly from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.	Emmett Jordan Judith Davis	
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (1) Meets monthly 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.	Rodney M. Roberts Konrad Herling	
Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (1) Meets monthly 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.	Leta Mach Konrad Herling	
POLICY COMMITTEES	Current 2015 Appointment	2016 Appointment
Region Forward Coalition (1) Meets quarterly dates TBD	Emmett Jordan Konrad Herling	
Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee (1) Meets bi-monthly 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.	Edward V.J. Putens Silke Pope	
Climate Energy and Environment Policy Committee (1) Meets bi-monthly 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.	Judith Davis Leta Mach	
Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee (1) Meets bi-monthly 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.	Judith Davis Leta Mach	

Notes: Alternates are shown in italics.

Instructions:

- 1. Review current appointments.
- 2. Refer to the enclosed policy board and committees list for a description of each policy board and committee for which we are requesting an appointment.
- 3. Appoint or reappoint an elected official for each policy board and committee. Please consider the individual's interest/experience with the committee subject matter, and his/her availability to participate given the noted committee schedule.
- 4. Send approved appointments to Laura Ambrosio by <u>January 8, 2016.</u>
 Mailing Address: 777 North Capitol Street, N.E., 3rd Floor Washington, D.C. 20002
 Email: <u>lambrosio@mwcog.org</u>

Fax: (202)962-3208

If you have questions please email or call Laura Ambrosio at lambrosio@mwcog.org or (202)962-3278.

MWCOG POLICY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

COG is comprised of three independent policy boards and various supporting advisory and technical committees.

INDEPENDENT POLICY BOARDS

COG Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is COG's governing body and is responsible for its overall policies, functions, and funds. The Board takes action on committee or staff recommendations, discusses current and emerging multi-jurisdictional problems, and receives briefings on issues facing the region as a whole. Policy items on the agenda are normally generated from COG's policy and technical committees; business or administrative items are usually generated from staff.

Transportation Planning Board

The National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the region, and plays an important role as the regional forum for transportation planning. With participation from the District of Columbia and State Departments of Transportation and the region's local governments, the TPB prepares intermediate-range and long-range plans and programs that permit federal transportation funds to flow to the Washington region.

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee

The Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) is the entity certified by the mayor of the District of Columbia and the governors of Maryland and Virginia to prepare an air quality plan for the region and insure compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act. MWAQC coordinates air quality planning activities among COG and other entities, including the Transportation Planning Board; reviews policies; resolves policy differences; and forges a regional air quality plan for transmittal to the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia and, ultimately, to the Environmental Protection Agency.

POLICY COMMITTEES

Policy committees are advisory committees of the COG Board.

Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee

Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee (CBPC) advises the COG Board on Bayrelated policies and tracks developments under the federal-state Chesapeake Bay Program for implications to local governments. It also considers questions of potable water supply and waste water treatment. The CBPC regularly prepares position statements in response to state and federal legislation affecting the Bay.

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC) advises the COG Board on climate change, energy, green building, alternate fuels, solid waste and recycling policy issues, and other environmental issues as necessary. The CEEPC is responsible for managing implementation of the COG Climate Change Report adopted by the COG Board on November 12, 2008. This responsibility includes development of a regional climate change strategy to meet the regional greenhouse gas reduction goals adopted by the Board.

Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee

The Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee (HSPSC) advises the COG Board on a variety of issues including affordable housing, homelessness, child welfare, crime control and prevention, and traffic safety. Recent actions have included reports on homelessness and crime trends in the region as well as a foreclosure summit to address the significant increase in home foreclosures across the region.

Region Forward Coalition

Regional Forward Coalition is to oversee the next steps recommended in Region Forward and advise the COG Board on future comprehensive regional planning and implementation activities. The Coalition's primary responsibilities includes overseeing the Region Forward performance Baseline analysis and future regional progress reports; use Region Forward as a guide to update the Regional Activity Centers; and create clear strategies and initiatives to support the transformation of regional centers into Complete Communities. The Coalition will provide crosscutting regional policy capacity and long-range regional planning recommendations to the COG Board. The Coalition includes members from public, private and nonprofit sectors which all have a role in helping the Region meet its goals.